From: Sullivan, David (NWD)

Sent: Tuesday, January 17, 2012 10:08 AM

To:Hanchett, James (DPH)Subject:RE: Amherst Drug Lab

Hi Jim: All the best to you and everyone at the lab. Everyone in our DA Office is very grateful for the great work you all do. Dave

From: Hanchett, James (DPH)

Sent: Tuesday, January 17, 2012 9:57 AM

To: Sullivan, David (NWD) **Subject:** Amherst Drug Lab

Hi Dave,

We never received official word from the Department of Public Health that we would remain open, but we were informed by our Union and the Springfield Republican reported Friday 11/28/11 that Governor Patrick signed the supplemental budget approving funding for the Amherst Drug Lab. I hope we won't have to revisit this again in July the next fiscal year.

On behalf of myself and the staff of the Amherst Drug Lab we would like to thank you for your support in getting the legislature to fund our lab. We look forward to serving the citizens of Western Massachusetts by providing timely laboratory results for the Courts of Hampden, Hampshire, Franklin and Berkshire County.

Our Sincere Thanks,

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